

REMARKS

Claims 1-15 are currently pending in the application. As indicated above, Claims 16-18 have been added, and the specification has been amended.

The Examiner has rejected Claims 1-15 under 35 U.S.C. §103 (a) as being unpatentable over the Applicant's Admitted Prior Art in view of *Molnar et al.* (U.S. 5,691,922) and *Razoumov et al.* (U.S. 6,614,850). Also in the Office Action, the Examiner objected to the disclosure as containing numerous informalities in the specification.

With regard to the objection to the specification at page 9, lines 13-14, as indicated above, this section of the specification has been amended to more clearly point out how the codewords are repeated. Further, table 4, on page 10, illustrates only the repeated codewords and does not illustrate original punctured codeword. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the punctured codes repeat five times is correct description.

With regard to the objections to the specification at page 14, line 1 and on page 15, lines 27-28 on specification, an amended Figure 6 is enclosed herewith, in which element 600 now correctly reads "encoder". Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the corrected Figure 6 overcomes the objections on pages 14 and 15. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that all the objections to the specification be withdrawn.

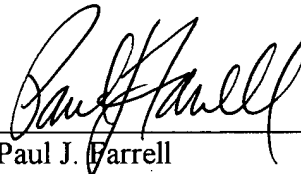
With regard to the rejection of Claims 1-15 under 35 U.S.C. §103 (a) as being unpatentable over the Applicant's Admitted Prior Art in view of *Molnar* and *Razoumov*, *Razoumov* was filed on July 7, 2000, after the priority dates of March 21, 2000 and July 5, 2000 of the above-identified application. In accordance with M.P.E.P. §2136.03, it is respectfully submitted that *Razoumov* is

not prior art against the present application. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103 has been rendered moot.

Attached herewith are Verified English translations of priority Korean Appln. Nos. 2000-14355 and 2000-38399, from which they are clearly seen that the priority Korean Applications constitute an enabling disclosure of the invention claimed herein. It is also noted that a certified copy of the Priority Documents was submitted with the application as filed.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any questions, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned attorney be contacted at the earliest convenience to discuss the present application. Early and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul J. Farrell", written over a horizontal line.

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